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AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

C O N F I D E N T I A L PORT LOUIS 0013

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MILI MP UR

SUBJECT: VISIT TO MAURITIUS OF SOVIET NAVAL TASK GROUP

REF: CINCPAC 312240Z DEC 73

1. VISIT BY THREE SOVIET WARSHIPS TO PORT LOUIS FROM DECEMBER 17 TO 27 WAS RESULT OF INVITATION EXTENDED BY PRIME MINISTER RAMGOOLAM DURING HIS VISIT TO MOSCOW IN SEPTEMBER, 1973, OBVIOUSLY ALSO ENCOURAGED BY NEW (AND ACTIVE) SOVIET AMBASSADOR HERE, NIKOLAI BANDOURA. RAMGOOLAM IS SAID TO HAVE INVITED MINISTER OF DEFENSE GRECHKO HIMSELF WHICH PERHAPS WHY SENIOR ADMIRAL SUCH AS MASLOV SENT AS COMMANDER OF THE TASK GROUP. ACCORDING TO EMBASSY'S INFORMATION, SOVIET AMBASSADOR AND ADMIRAL MASLOV WERE PLEASED WITH THEIR RECEPTION BY MAURITIUS GOVERNMENT AND PROUD OF IMPACT MADE LOCALLY BY VISITING SHIPS. EMBASSY NOTES LAST VISIT TO MAURITIUS BY SOVIET WARSHIPS WAS IN MID-JULY, 1972, SO THAT PRESENT VISIT PERHPAS CONSIDERED OVERDUE BY SOVIET NAVAL AUTHORITIES.

2. NO AGREEMENTS WERE CONCLUDED DURING VISIT OF TASK GROUP. PORT LOUIS HAS TRADITIONALLY BEEN WITHOUT RESTRICTION TO NAVIES OF THE WORLD AND PORT CALLS BY BRITISH, AUSTRALIAN, AMERICAN, FRENCH, DUTCH, INDIAN, IRANIAN AND PAKISTANI NAVAL VESSELS --  
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